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Weekly Summary for Mar 30 - Apr 5

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Precipitation levels were recorded at less than an inch across the state last week, ranging from none in the Panhandle to 0.85 inches in the Central district. For the third consecutive week, South the Southeast. and East Central recorded precipitation levels above their normal averages. The rest of the state averaged 85 percent or less of normal. Winter wheat progress slowed in the Panhandle due to limited moisture, while cool temperatures and low winds improved the crop in areas of

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent Week Ending Sunday, April 5, 2015

Moisture Rating	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	
Topsoil				
Very Short	20	17	41	
Short	36	39	34	
Adequate	40	38	24	
Surplus	4	6	1	
Subsoil				
Very Short	35	33	42	
Short	35	35	38	
Adequate	29	30	20	
Surplus	1	2	0	

Central Oklahoma. According to the most recent U.S. Drought Monitor, 37 percent of the state experienced conditions rated at extreme to exceptional, up 13 percent from the previous year. Conditions were most intense across the western half of the state. Overall, temperatures averaged in the low 60's across the state, with Medford recording the lowest at 23 degrees on Saturday, April 4th and Beaver recording the highest at 92 degrees on Wednesday, April 1st. Topsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to short, with subsoil moisture rated short to adequate. There were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Seventy-eight percent of **oats** had been seeded by Sunday, 1 point behind the previous year and 13 points below normal. **Winter wheat** jointing reached 68 percent by Sunday, up 18 points from the previous year and up 1 point from normal. **Canola** conditions were rated 61 percent fair to good. **Rye** jointing jumped to 72 percent, in line with normal.

Row Crops: Corn seedbed preparation reached 66 percent by week's end, down 2 points from the previous year. **Sorghum** seedbed preparation was 38 percent complete, down 4 points from last year and 3 points behind normal. **Soybean** seedbed preparation reached 26 percent complete, 2 points behind normal. Seedbed preparation of **cotton** was 55 percent complete by the end of the week, up 5 points from the previous year, and up 6 points from normal.

Pasture and Livestock: Conditions of pasture and range were rated 71 percent fair to good. Livestock conditions were rated 87 percent good to fair. Livestock markets continued to hold strong.

Conditions by Percent
For Week Ending Sunday, April 5, 2015

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Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
Wheat	4	12	41	39	4	
Rye	6	17	47	27	3	
Oats	4	27	42	25	2	
Canola	13	23	36	25	3	
Livestock	2	5	35	52	6	
Pasture and Range	7	20	40	31	2	

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Crop Progress by Percent

For Week Ending Sunday, April 5, 2015

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Jointing	68	49	50	67
Canola	Blooming	17	N/A	12	36
Rye	Jointing	72	50	32	72
Oats	Planted	78	76	79	91
	Emerged	67	56	58	29
Corn	Seedbed Prepared	66	58	68	72
Sorghum	Seedbed Prepared	38	30	42	41
Soybeans	Seedbed Prepared	26	20	32	28
Peanuts	Seedbed Prepared	12	5	22	40
Cotton	Seedbed Prepared	55	53	50	49

Weather for Week Ending April 5, 2015: Temperatures ranged from 23 degrees at Medford on Saturday, April 4th to 92 degrees at Beaver on Wednesday, April 1st. Precipitation ranged from none in the Panhandle to 0.85 inches in the Central district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 50 degrees at Miami on Saturday, April 4th to 73 degrees at Waurika on Thursday, April 2nd.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data

Week Ending Sunday, April 5, 2015

	Temperature			Precipitation			
District	High Low	Low	Average	Current Week	March 1, 2014 to April 5, 2015		
					Total	Departure	Percent of
						From Normal	Normal
	Degrees	Degrees	Degrees	Inches	Inches	Inches	Percent
Panhandle	77	40	59	0.00	0.83	-0.91	48
North Central	75	42	60	0.04	0.90	-2.14	30
Northeast	72	47	60	0.41	3.09	-1.04	75
West Central	76	44	61	0.22	0.71	-1.94	27
Central	74	48	62	0.85	3.09	-0.55	85
East Central	73	50	62	0.41	5.23	0.74	116
Southwest	75	47	61	0.40	1.63	-1.06	60
South Central	74	52	64	0.59	3.98	0.05	101
Southeast	73	52	63	0.35	6.31	1.19	123